

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER  
JUNE 24, 2014**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, June 24, 2014, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm then called the roll:

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Board member Timothy Bell	Present
Board member David Prechtel	Absent

Also present were Street Commissioner Raymond Eckerle, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang, Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm. Police Chief J. Michael Bennett and Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies were absent.

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. Two of the three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 10, 2014. Thereafter, a motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Mayor Seitz to approve the minutes. Motion carried 2-0.

**SIPS, SAMPLES AND SONG EVENT**

Bridgette Bartley, representing Anderson Woods, said they are changing the Tasters' Fest event to Sips, Samples, and Song and need permission to use the Barn. Previously they used the barn and the Buehler plaza area. The event will be held on Saturday, September 27, 2014 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. They would like to use the facility from 1:00 p.m. on Friday, September 26, 2014 to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, September 27, 2014 which includes setup and tear down times. Bartley said there will also be a silent auction and a chili soup cook off.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to enable Anderson Woods to have their Sips, Samples, and Song event on

September 27, 2014 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. with setup the day before.  
Motion carried 2-0.

### **STREET CLOSINGS**

Mayor Seitz said some streets needed to be closed prior to this meeting so he gave the street department permission to close Bartley Street between 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Streets in order to do storm sewer work and close the area by 13<sup>th</sup> and Bartley Streets for a sidewalk project. The area by 8<sup>th</sup> and Bartley Streets will be closed tomorrow so they can repair a storm water joint.

### **CLOSE ALLEY**

Kim Mosby, one of four partners that recently purchased Yaggi's Restaurant at 514 Jackson Street, asked permission to close the alley on the south side of their building that runs from Jackson to Mill for four days while some repair work is being done to the building. The contractor plans to start working early next week.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to grant the owner of Yaggi's permission to close the alley around the building in order to do construction work. Motion carried 2-0.

### **CLOSE ALLEY**

Mayor Seitz said at the January 28, 2014 meeting he reported he gave Sally Gogel-Fischer permission to close the alley behind 329 West 8<sup>th</sup> St. between St. John Street and Clay Street for an estimated four hours on a day with temperatures near 30 degrees. Since the sewer work is based upon weather conditions, the owner was to communicate a start date/time.

Seitz said he was notified that the sewer work will begin Wednesday morning, June 25, 2014.

### **BULLETPROOF VEST**

Assistant Police Chief Nathan Schmitt said quotes for bulletproof vests were presented at the June 10, 2014 meeting. The police department was given permission to purchase two vests from Siegels Uniforms for a total of \$1,280.00. Because another officer needs a new vest, Schmitt asked permission to purchase three vests instead of two.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to permit the police department to purchase an additional bulletproof vest from Siegels for \$640.00. Motion carried 2-0.

### **HIGH WEED COMPLAINTS**

Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang reported to the board the names of property owners and the locations that have been cited under 5.12.040 weed removal/notice. The names and locations are as follows:

Owner: Springs Valley Bank & Trust for Ron Durcholz Estate  
Location: 2614 Howard Drive

Owner: Darryl and Leann Huls  
Location: 1438 Park Street

Owner: Christina Trust a Division Wilmington Savings Fund Society  
Location: 2206 Mill Street

Owner: Steven Crews  
Location: 2210 Mill Street

Owner: Melvin Mundy  
Location: 944 Second Avenue

Owner: RSH Holdings  
Location: easement area 555 E 8th

Owner: Holly Smith  
Location: 1336 Main Street

### **REPORTS**

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang distributed a copy of the May 2014 vehicle maintenance report and a copy of the code enforcement call list.

### **JUNK ASSETS**

Fire Chief Kenneth Hochgesang asked permission to junk two old computers; asset #101411 a Dell computer system and asset #101884 a Dell laptop.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Mayor Seitz to remove asset numbers 101411 and 101884. Motion carried 2-0.

### **CITYVISIONS CONTRACT**

Mayor Seitz said he has an extension of services contract with CityVisions and Gamble Associates for the development consultation phase of the downtown master plan. This phase consists of three areas; facilitating public/private partnerships, coordination and outreach, and redevelopment scenario and structure. The fee for this phase is \$27,500.00 plus 10% of the fee for reimbursable expenses.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to accept the contract with CityVisions for an amount not-to-exceed \$27,500.00 plus \$2,750.00 for reimbursable expenses. Motion carried 2-0.

### **MULTI USE PATH GRANT**

City Engineer Chad Hurm said the Indiana Department of Transportation awarded the City of Jasper a \$2,056,000.00 grant to build bike and pedestrian trails during their 2018 LPA grant program. This grant combined with the remaining grant funds from a previous award and a local match will enable us to connect our west side trail to the river walk on 15<sup>th</sup> Street within a few

years. Hurm then described the proposed route for this multi use path that could occur in INDOT's 2017-18 construction year. Mayor Seitz added that the City will have to do some work prior to that time.

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Mayor Seitz to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 2-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:25 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved \_\_\_\_\_ with   X   without corrections or clarification this 8<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2014.

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**David Prechtel, Presiding Officer**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer**